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TO: Executive Directors of Community Mental Health Services Programs (CMHSPs)

FROM: Irene Kaziecko, Director
Bureau of Community Mental Health Services
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Administration

SUBJECT: FY 2010/2011 Mental Health Block Grant Request for Applications (RFA)
Application Deadline: May 11, 2010 at 12:00 noon

Attached for your careful review and response is a Community Mental Health Block Grant RFA for adult services. Funding available under this RFA is to be used to serve adults with serious mental illness in ways that support individual recovery. Applications must show how the services expand and complement system transformation work in its region.

The total annual funding available under this RFA is approximately \$3.2 million. Services funded under this initiative will be for two years, beginning October 1, 2010. A maximum of \$70,000 in block grant funds per CMHSP is available for each of the two years.

Each CMHSP is eligible and encouraged to apply. They should submit one application only in response to this RFA. These block grant funds are for services to people who are not eligible for Medicaid or other insurance coverage for mental health services. It is expected that they will be used for services and supports that allow people to have meaningful lives in the community, services beyond emergency and crisis services. Services are expected to be carried out in conjunction with the system transformation work of the Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP) for the region.

Informational conference calls for CMHSP staff interested in responding to this RFA are scheduled for **Tuesday, April 6, from 3:00-4:30 pm, and Thursday, April 22, from 11:00 am-12:30 pm.** Program and fiscal staff are invited to participate. The phone number for these calls is: 1-877-873-8018, access code 6694295.

Please note that updated information on current block grant initiatives that have been previously approved, subject to performance, to extend into FY 11 will be requested in June.

Questions regarding this RFA may be directed to the staff listed at the end of the RFA. We ask that you immediately share this RFA with program and fiscal staff.



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We look forward to working with you on this initiative as part of our ongoing collaboration to transform the public mental health system to one that is rooted in recovery for each individual served.

Attachments

cc: Executive Directors of Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHPs)
Advisory Council on Mental Illness
Michigan Recovery Council
Improving Practices Leadership Teams
Practice Improvement Steering Committee
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Management Team
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